

GM PROPERTY

Kokomo, Howard County, IN
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Site Location and Description

This 10 acre site is located at 1723 Washington Street. The property is in the center of Kokomo and is adjacent to the former Midwest Plating property.

Zip Code: 46901

Site Uses and Past Activities

This property has recently been donated to the Kokomo-Howard County Development Corporation. Before that, it had been owned by General Motors Corporation since 1965. It was last used to produce car radio components. The buildings were demolished when the facility became obsolete. The property is currently a vacant lot.

Contaminants and Impacts

All laboratory analyzed soil samples had results below the Voluntary Remediation Program's (VRP) Tier II non-residential cleanup levels for soils. Five of the ten groundwater samples analyzed had laboratory results above the VRP's Tier II non-residential cleanup levels for tetrachloroethene (PCE), trichloroethene (TCE) and vinyl chloride in groundwater. Monitoring wells will need to be installed to determine the extent and severity of the groundwater contamination.

Lead Agency

IDEM in conjunction with the Indiana Development Finance Authority.

Community Concerns

Redevelopment of this site could have a significant economic impact on the community by increasing tax revenues and employment.

Actions Taken

The City of Kokomo was awarded an Indiana Brownfields Site Assessment Grant by the Indiana Development Finance Authority in February 1999 and March 2001. The awarded funding helped address environmental conditions at the property and potential liabilities. Once the environmental issues are resolved, reuse of this site should contribute to the overall well being of the City of Kokomo.



Current Status

IDEM has reviewed the assessment reports generated from the Phase I and Phase II investigation activities to ensure that environmental objectives were met. A Comment Letter was issued in November regarding the findings and future recommendations. IDEM provided oversight of assessment activities and is anticipating receipt of the reports from the second grant-funded assessment.

Future Actions

IDEM staff will be available to discuss future steps as necessary to facilitate the City of Kokomo's redevelopment efforts.

Cost Estimates

Amount of grant awarded: \$25,858 and \$20,700.

For More Information

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